

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Large Entity)**

Docket No.  
P-4762

In Re Application Of **D.M. Berger et al.**

Serial No.  
09/394,006

Filing Date  
September 10, 1999

Examiner  
B. Forman

Group Art Unit  
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Invention: **COMPOSITION FOR PROVIDING LONG-TERM STABILITY TO CELLS FOR DIAGNOSTIC TESTING**

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of September 26, 2002 above-identified application.  
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☐ Two months    ☐ Three months    ☒ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: December 11, 2002

Date

until:

March 11, 2003

Date

The fee for the extension of time is **\$1,450** and is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **02-1666**  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **02-1666**  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

  
Signature

Dated: **March 10, 2003**

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on 3-10-03 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

  
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